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Timothy W. Brennan  
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Dear Mr. Brennan:

Thanks very much to you and the rest of the MPO for support of the Atkins Corner reconstruction. It was gratifying to see that the group recognizes the importance of this project, and the necessity of securing funding now so that work can begin.

The MPO's careful consideration of the various funding complexities was informative and much appreciated. I had not attended an MPO meeting previously, and the group's commitment to clarity and the desire to have the best information available before a final vote gave me real confidence in your process. I'm looking forward to future meetings.

Many thanks.

Sincerely,

Stephanie J. O'Keeffe, Chair  
Amherst Select Board

cc: U.S. Representative John Olver  
Senator Stan Rosenberg  
Representative Ellen Story

